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Our Case No. 9683/66

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

YAMAMOTO et al.

Serial No. 09/508,473

Filed: March 9, 2000

For: BILLING METHOD FOR
COMMUNICATION NETWORK

Examiner: Chencinski, Siegfried E.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 5, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.